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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION** 

Please amend paragraph [0047] as follows:

[0047] In order to simplify processing and achieve greater efficiency of processing, as a result of renegotiating the PPP options, the newly negotiated options may be the same as the PPP options used prior to renegotiation. In the event that the newly negotiated PPP options are not the same as the PPP options used prior to renegotiation, the MT2 device may perform additional processing such as described in a co-pending patent application entitled "Selectively Unframing and Framing PPP Packets Depending On Negotiated Options of the U.sub.m and R.sub.m Interfaces", having Ser. No. 09/353,109, filed Jul. 14, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,625,164, which is assigned to the same assignee and herein incorporated by reference.

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